

FOR PRODUCING HIGH-QUALITY STRIP AND BASE MATERIAL

# ELROD

# lead, slug, rule and base caster

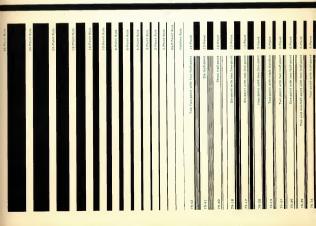
The Elrod is a simple, sturdy, easily operated machine for casting strip material in your own composing room—in sizes from 1-point to 36-point thickness. It saves time and money in your plant—costly purchases of strip material are eliminated, and valuable composition time is saved by having any size or kind of strip material readily available. No tying-up of capital in costly inventories; no shortages; no borrowing from standing forms. The convenience of Elrod strip-casting is, in itself, a major advantage in Composing Room efficiency.

## ELROD IS RIGHT IN PRINCIPLE

Motten metal from the Eirod crucible is passed through a water-cooled mold and formed into a continuous strip of precisely the desired size and shape solid, uniform, and of the highest quality. Elrod strip is not formed compositely of successively cast individual sections each of which is joined by more or less complete welding to the previously solidified preceding section. Eirod produces a solid and continuous, one-piece strip of unlimited length, free from brittle breaks or welds. It is the only strip-casting machine operating on this principle, and it is the fundamental rightness of this principle that makes possible the simplicity of operation and mechanism and the high quality, economical product.

#### FLROD MOLDS

Each Elrod mold is a complete, fixed unit—there is a separate, durable, precision mold for each size and kind of strip material. The internal cross-section of each mold determines the thickness and height of the strip



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### RANGE OF PRODUCT

With a single machine, the composing room can produce type-high rules and spacing or base material of any desired height and thickness, and the machine can be set to cut off the strip to the desired measure, as produced. The Model F Erod produces strip material from 1-point to 36 point in thickness, and the new economy Model K Eirod produces material up to 18-point in thickness and is designed for the smaller dailies, weekly newspapers, small and medium-sized commercial plants and other shops which require a moderate layout for their needs.

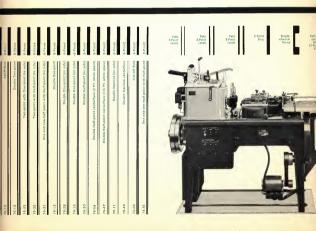
#### QUALITY OF PRODUCT

More than 70% of all the daily newspapers in the

United States and Canada use the Eirod for their strip material requirements. Large metropolitan newspapers have tested 36-point Eirod-cast base under severe pressures incident to dry mat molding and have found that it stands up better than any other type-metal base . . . the ideal mounting for halftones and shelicast stereos in newspaper forms. Eirod leads and slugs are smooth and comfortable to handle. Their precision molding and uniform quality make them particularly satisfactory for cutting with mitering machines, composing room saws and other cutting tools.

#### REPROCESSING ECONOMY

For producing leads and rules, only first-class metal is to be used; for producing slug and base material, however, old metal, dead type slugs, spacing material and base may be fed directly into the crucible without first being remelted. When Etnod-cast strip material has been used in the form, it need not be picked out before dumping the form—



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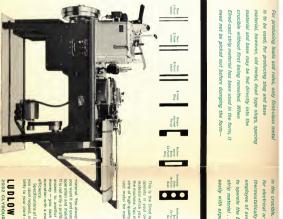
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# MECHANICAL AND OPERATIONAL SIMPLICITY

In design and construction, the Elrod is simple, sturdy and easy to operate. There are relatively few moving parts, and these travel in easy motions with a minimum of shock, noise and wear. There are no delicate adjustments, and all bearings are ample in size and easily lubricated. Because the Elrod is soundly engineered and precision manufactured for low maintenance cost, it will run for hours with little attention other than replenishment of metal in the crucible. Both Elrod models are available for electrical or gas operation and all are thermostatically controlled. In a very short time, any employee of average intelligence can learn how to operate the Elrod and produce satisfactory strip material . . . special skill and adeptness come easily with experience.

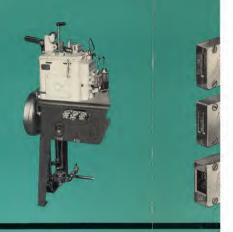


This is the Erool lead, stup, rule and base casting mechine which you operate in your own shop. These are the varieties of strip and both operated in your own shop. These are the varieties of strip and operated which you mold from separate precision molds furnished with the machine. You mold any size or thickness of material in a continuous strip or high quality, without any breaks or welds. You reprocess Erod-cast metal for molding base and slugs, saving repeated purchases of

material. You always have strip material on hand find shandingli when you want it and exactly as you want it. Euro is simplicity helpful for design, personal and maintenance, and expendit and the proposal statis to operfix. It is not one proposal statis to operfix. It is not one shanding the proposal statis to operfix. It is not one another phase of self-sufficiency in the plant. You save money—you save time—and you exceedite jobs. Modernize your operation with a machine that, in itself, pays for itself in economy and efficiency.

Specifications of Elrod with specimens of Elrod-cast strip will be sent you upon request, and questions regarding the machine and its applicability to your plant will be carefully answered.

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All models of Eirod machines are available for use either with electricity or gas for heating the crucible and throat. Both gas and electric heating systems are equipped with automatic thermostatic controls. Highly satisfactory Eirod-cast lead, slug, rule and base material can be produced by feeding metal, dead type slugs, spacing material and base directly into the crucible without their first being re-melted. Etrod moids are c there is a separal each size and thi The internal cross determines the ti, and, in the case s its relative positive mold is placed in, and a mold sealing accurate sealing, so slightly with o uniformity of stri,





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each size and thickness of strip material.
The internal cross-section of the mold
determines the thickness and height of the strip
and, in the case of rules, the ruleface and
its relative position on the body. The desired
mold is placed in a recessed mold chamber
and a mold sealing valve produces positive and
accurate sealing. Sturdy Eirod molds wear
so slightly with ordinary use that absolute
uniformity of strip material is assured.

Elrod casts a continuous strip of quality material—without any brittle breaks or welds. In the Elrod, moiten metal from the crucible, passing through the mold, is progressively cooled and solidified under pressure, thus forming a strong, solid, continuous one-piece strip of unlimited length and uniform quality. The Elrod is the only strip-casting machine operating on this principle.